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ACTORS ARE HIT HARD

More Are Now Looking for Jobs Than Ever Before.

Managers Say 7,500 Are Idle—Complaints Are Heard From Broadway to "Main Street" of Poor Business.

New York.—There are today more unemployed actors and other stage people walking along Broadway and a hundred other cities looking for jobs than ever before. Everybody in Times square who knows anything about the theater, from the cut-rate ticket hawker to the producer of a dozen hits, is complaining.

The tailors, landladies and boarding-house owners seem to feel the hard times as acutely as the actors. They have sought a great many judgments recently against stage folk who overlooked the rather prosaic duty of paying their bills.

In larger cities of the country where the lights flicker only a little less brightly than in Broadway, conditions are just as bad, according to the heads of producing concerns and organizations of actors.

Chicago, once a lively theatrical center, whence producers sent forth many road shows, is "dead" now in that activity, local managers report. Very few shows, they say, are trained and distributed from the Illinois metropolis, to the Midwest and South, because overhead expenses have grown beyond the capacity of the box offices.

Several well-known managers estimated that half of the 15,000 actors in the United States, exclusive of vaudeville performers, were out of work. The Actors' Equity association said the number was not so large as that, but was 20 per cent worse than usually.

The bicycle riders and dancing teams which flit from city to city under vaudeville contracts have not suffered greatly. Vaudeville tickets generally are less expensive than those for drama or girl-and-music shows, and the public seems willing to buy them even if money isn't so easy to get as it used to be, the booking houses report.

Nor have any howls of complaint been heard from the many bird dogs and terriers who go about the country in tent shows posing as bloodhounds in "Uncle Tom's Cabin." For some reason, the roaming tent shows and boat shows that play the small, smaller and smallest villages are said not to have felt a drop in attendance, and there are now 700 of them scattered over the land.

Aside from the general letup in luxury buying, many reasons are given for the extremely hard times in the theater. The managers complain of unbearable overhead expenses—increased railroad fare and union regulations, which, they assert, require the employment at high wages of a lot of men who only want to sit around and boss somebody else.

Union leaders say this isn't so, and explain that the main difficulties are railroad rates and competition by the movies. Both agree that, while a company on tour formerly was a paying proposition if the box office took in \$7,000 or \$8,000 a week, it requires almost double that income nowadays to keep the show going.

The Scrap Book

HARD TO ESCAPE THEM ALL

Really, Small Madge Had Enough to Do to Dodge Them, Without Bingo Chipping In.

The heroine of this story is a certain mischievous Madge, small daughter of a house which shelters also the hero, a mischievous puppy answering to the name of Bingo.

Madge ran in to the garden on a secret mission. The devoted Bingo followed and imperiled the whole enterprise.

"Bingo," said Madge, "for goodness' sake don't follow me anywhere. Can't you understand I want to be alone sometimes?"

Bingo seemed to understand that he was being scolded, and rolled on his back, penitential legs waving in the air. Madge was touched.

"You know, Bingo," she was heard to say, confidentially, "I am always being watched, and it is so trying—there's the nurse and the governess, and if I escape them, there's always my Guardian Angel."

Pearl a Picturesque Peacock



Here is Pearl White in a \$2000 gown she wears in her latest Fox picture, "The Broadway Peacock." It consists of a front and back panel held together with seed pearls. The panels were brought from Paris. Two fists full of dress—and that's all.



BERT LYTELL
The Metro Star, Who Plucks His Breakfast Oranges in His Own Back Yard at Hollywood.

NEW PLANET VISIBLE IN 1923

Astronomer at Buenos Aires Reports Globe Has Diameter of 15 1/2 Miles.

Buenos Aires.—Doctor Hartmann, director of the La Plata observatory, says that the orbit of the little planet he discovered on November 4 lies between the orbits of the planets Jupiter and Mars. The orbit is elliptical and is covered in five years and seven months.

As the plane of the orbit is very inclined in regard to the earth's equator, the new planet can approach the poles closer than most of the other planets and may be observed late this year until the fall of 1923 in a very northern position.

The diameter of the globe is estimated at about 15 1/2 miles, as its brilliancy, taken at the last observation, appeared to be of the fifteenth magnitude.

Rabbit Ate Rosary.
St. Louis.—A rosary entwined in the stomach of a rabbit was discovered by a butcher here the other day after a small boy had traded the rabbit to the butcher for a supply of apples. The rabbit, the boy's pet, used to train hunting dogs, broke a leg one day in escaping from a dog and had to be killed.

DEER SMASHES WINDOWS IN PENNSYLVANIA CITY

Scranton, Pa.—A full grown antlered deer bolted through some miles of Scranton's streets leaving a trail of shattered windows and scattered provisions. Where the animal came from no one knows, and has apparently returned to the same place.

In its flight through the city the deer jumped through a large plate glass window in a grocery, scattering provisions right and left and making its exit through a door in the rear.

When last seen it was heading toward the mountains.

STYLISH BLACK SATIN WRAP



Of the medley black satin, but distinctive in cut, is this redingote from Paris. The wide sleeves are as convenient as they are graceful and charming, for they prevent the satin from being too warm for a summer wrap.

KIDDIES' FROCKS ARE QUAIN

Long-Waisted, Doll-Like Garment of Grandmother's Day Again in Popular Favor.

The long-waisted, doll-like frocks are popular even in the childhood days of our mothers, and that are revived every season or so are again in the lime light. The skirts of these dresses are more overgrown ruffles. Some smart models are shown in black and white checked taffeta, the belt being of red patent leather. Sheer cotton frocks made on long-waisted lines are held in with gay ribbon sashes.

Dark taffeta frocks are featured for children for spring and as late in the summer as the weather makes the wearing of silks comfortable. The bodice, following the lines of the slight little figure very gracefully, is embroidered in color in either silk or wool flows. The skirt is a decidedly flaring circular model. The dress buttons in the center back. Of course, the style design may be employed for other fabrics, but it lends itself especially well to taffeta. As a matter of fact, it is not practicable for a wash fabric frock. If the little closely fitted bodice has to go to the wash tub and by any chance should shrink a trifle it would hardly be wearable.

Crepes de chine and organdie are two fabrics that are very much favored for dressy frocks for children, and frequently a little party frock of colored organdie will be trimmed with puffs or tiny ruffles of white net. Dyed and white laces are also used to trim organdie frocks for children.

COMMISSIONERS ALLOWANCES MARCH TERM 1922.

Ben Ed Doane, Pub. printing.	\$15.10
Jasper Herald, Public prtg.	32.22
Jasper Herald, off. ex. Treas.	4.70
Huntingburg Argus, Pub. prtg.	37.20
M. A. Seidl, Trust off. sal.	109.86
Elia, Rohlfman, janitor.	60.00
Leo Rohlfman, emp. Poor farm	30.00
Henry Borrell, same.	20.00
Lena Fleck, same.	20.00
Cresc. Pharmacy, Contag. dis.	16.00
Carl Theile, sup. Court House	40.05
Carl Theile, sup. jail.	13.85
W. D. Bretz, Coroner's inq.	9.60
B. L. Green Co. Soldier burial	75.00
Robt. E. Eckert, Trav. expen.	46.49
J. P. Huther, off. ex. Supt.	16.21
J. P. Huther, off. ex. Auditor	10.00
Flo. Ackerman, sup. Court H.	28.00
Flo. Ackerman, sup. Poor F.	20.40
J. I. Holcomb Co., sup. C. H.	4.39
Henry J. Seng, Aud. clerk.	62.50
Woodburn Pt. Co. ex. Auditor.	404.65
Woodburn Pt. Co., ex. Supt.	33.60
Woodburn Pt. Co., ex. Clerk.	8.50
Ind'polis Com. Co. Unit Road	27.40
Ind'polis Comm'r'l pub. ptg	2.20
E.W. Pickhardt, Co. Unit rd.	18.00
P. F. Pfister, same.	20.00
Ed D. Pickhardt, Plat book.	60.00
Frances Bartley, Clerk's ass't	20.83
N. Taichert, sup. Poor F.	24.11
G. N. Schanbacher, rep. C. H.	1295.00
Art. Schurig, same.	35.50
Jos. S. Hoffman, same.	40.50
H. J. Lemme, Co. Unit road.	86.00
Kinga Lemme, same.	27.00
E. M. Kremp, same.	35.00
A. J. Sermersheim, same.	12.00
A. T. Whaley, R.R.C. Hall tp.	40.19
B. T. Brown, same.	40.19
Fred Stenfenagel, bounty on	
haws.	8.00
Geo. Weidenbenner, same.	3.50
Edward Jacobs, same.	2.50
Jas. Hochgesang, same.	1.75
Edw. Hopf, same.	1.00
John Schmidt, same.	1.25
Ed M. Hopf, same.	1.00
Orentus Harder, same.	1.00
Fred Kodel, same.	.50
Geo. H. Rowekamp, same.	.50
Rock Road Repairs.	
John H. Steinkamp.	68.65
Wm. Vaughn.	6.00
De Mot Garage.	25.00
Huntingburg Bank.	31.00
Wallace Mill Co.	6.00
Emil Caldemeyer.	2.10
John Goetz.	43.42
John Hagen.	14.25
Geo. Seitz.	4.00
Frank Otto.	8.30
Louisville Cement Co.	350.24
Marengo Limestone Co.	1103.51
C. H. Bartley et al Insane Inq.	14.00
E. D. Pickhardt, RRC Madison	196.00
Ed. D. Pickhardt, Co. Unit rd	46.30
E. D. Pickhardt, RRC Madison	15.00
E. H. Bruning, Co. Unit road	9.00
Robt. A. Bruning, same.	3.00
Ray Schuler, same.	4.00
E. C. Kemmer, RRC Madison	180.00
Geo. M. Greene, same.	50.50
Leo Stenfenagel, same.	51.00
Fred M. Steinhart, same.	53.00
Ed. McDonald, Bid on Roller, Rejected	
Huber Mfg. Co. same, Accepted	
Aug. Rasch, same, Rejected	
J. M. Landenberger, same Rejected	
Buffalo Springfield Roller Co. Rejec'd	
B. L. Green Co. Bid Pauper burial,	
J. P. Schwenk, same, Rejected	
Carl Theile, Bid on Radiator, Accepted	
Arthur Schurig, Bid on Shields, Rej'd	
Geo. L. Uebelhor, Road pet. Accepted	
Peters, Eilert and Heitman, Bid on Pump, Accepted	
Joseph A. Ryan, Bid on R. R. Madison, Rejected	
Brown & Co., same, Accepted	
A. B. Kremp, same, Accepted	
A. B. Kremp, Bid on Hall R. R., Rej.	
Aug. Rasche, same, Rejected	
Hendrix & Mynatt, same, Accepted	
Fritch Construc. Co., same, Rejected	
Vanhoy Construc. Co., same, Rejected	
J. A. Loveall et al Petition, Granted	
Geo. Wagner Co., Bid on Manure Spread, Accepted	
Ed D. Pickhardt, Ext. of time.	
Ed D. Pickhardt, same.	
Precincts Boundaries.	
H. J. Lemme, Ext. of time.	
Ed D. Pickhardt, Objections Overruled	
Ed D. Pickhardt, same.	
Ed D. Pickhardt, same.	
Ed D. Pickhardt, same.	

PRINT PAPER RUBLES

Soviet Government Issue Now Runs Into Trillions.

Commissar of Finance Plans Output of 23 Trillions for This Year—100,000 Paper Rubles Equivalent to One Gold Ruble.

Moscow, Russia.—Mere billions no longer suffice to indicate the amount of paper rubles annually issued by the soviet government. It runs into trillions.

M. Krestinsky, commissar of finance, has informed the congress of soviets that the government contemplates the issuance in 1922 of 23,000,000,000,000 paper rubles which, he estimates, should have a buying power of 230,000,000 gold rubles.

He pointed out to the congress that this issue, while large in figures, is by no means large in buying power, for it is based on his estimate that the gold ruble is equivalent in buying power to 100,000 paper rubles. These paper rubles are the ordinary medium of exchange.

He explained that the total paper issue for 1918 was 54,000,000,000 rubles, then worth 523,000,000 gold rubles. The issue for 1919 was 123,000,000,000 rubles, worth 390,000,000 gold rubles. The issue for 1920 was 985,000,000,000 rubles, worth 290,000,000 gold rubles. This makes the total paper money issue to date 11,142,000,000,000 rubles.

The value of one gold ruble has been legally fixed at 100,000 paper rubles for the months of January, February and March, but when this rate was fixed a dollar, which is worth about two gold rubles, brought in the open market 250,000 to 275,000 paper rubles.

The budget of the soviet government for 1922, presented to the congress of soviets by M. Krestinsky, and finally adopted by it, carries appropriations aggregating 1,877,000,000 gold rubles. The estimated income from railways, licenses, leases, customs, is 575,000,000 gold rubles, leaving an expected deficit of 1,302,000,000 gold rubles (a gold ruble is equivalent to about 51 cents).

A NICE ICY PLUNGE

When Charles W. Sjolberg of Chicago took his daily plunge into Lake Michigan the other day he had to go quite a ways out because the ice was too thick and several persons were skating. He had to dig a hole for himself to go in. The sun was nice and warm, but don't try to tell us you were, Charles.

FLOOD BENEFIT TO FARMERS

Water Left Fine Silt of Good Earth on Impoverished Lands in Washington.

Sedro Woolley, Wash.—A fine silt of very fertile earth layer from two to five inches deep was left on the inundated farm lands when the flooded Skagit river subsided to its regular channel.

The layer of silt had added great value to the valley lands, according to owners. The flood, which was the most extensive known here since the early homestead days, lasted from December 10 until the middle of January.

MEXIA TYPICAL MUSHROOM CITY

Texas Town Grows From Sleepy Place of 3,000 to 30,000 Inhabitants Over Night.

Overnight a tented city arose. From an apparently sleepy little town of 3,000 population in October, 1921, where old settlers farmed for a living and eked out a bare existence from their lands to a bustling city of 30,000 people, and all in a few months, this is the recent record of Mexia, an old-time Texas town, which is feeling the effects of one of the numerous oil developments in the Southwest.

The population now consists of an assortment of oil field followers and thousands of men and women seeking employment. Consequently because of the exorbitant prices charged for a room, if one were lucky enough to secure one, hundreds of men, favored by the long continued mild winter, are sleeping on the grass along railroad tracks, public parking places and, in fact, anywhere they can.

Beds in Tents Costly.
Overnight a bed in a tent marked "A place to flop" soared from 50 cents a night to \$3. A night in a crude plank structure where one didn't know his bed-fellow or the hundreds of others in the single room cost \$5.

Rail traffic jumped hundreds of per cent. There are two trunk lines, the Houston & Texas Central and the Trinity & Brazos Valley, leading through here, and passenger traffic is very heavy, while freight trains are frequently seen running three abreast, so heavy is the demand for oil machinery. One road is said to have spent \$800,000 in enlarging its facilities.

The water situation is not altogether what could be desired. Getting a bath here is quite an experience, if indeed not a task. The old saying, "If you want to do something big—wash an elephant," certainly has found parallel in Mexia.

But One Bathroom.
This luxury may be found, outside the woodland creeks, only in a downtown barber shop. The bathroom is a stall in a wooden-floored, plank-in enclosure. The plain, pine planks are slippery, but the proprietors of the house have found that it is not necessary to maintain first-aid kits because the board floors are warped enough to allow the bather a foothold.

But as for oil. There are a solid six miles of new derricks, drillers, outfits, tents, wooden buildings and people where once there was the open prairie. A survey of all local lumber men shows that buildings completed or contracted for since October 1 total between \$3,500,000 and \$5,000,000.

Gambling and drinking halls filled with dancing girls are open every night, and one may buy openly "red" and "corn" whisky at 50 cents a drink. Fortunes are lost overnight at the dice and roulette tables.

NEW YORKERS LASSO COUGAR

Pursue Another in Montana Four Days, With No Firearms Permitted.

Colorado Springs.—Phillip B. Stewart, capitalist, and Dr. Gerald B. Webb, tubercular specialist, associates of the late Theodore Roosevelt in mountain lion hunting in Colorado and well known in New York sportsman circles, have returned from an exciting cougar hunt in northwestern Montana.

No firearms were carried. With the aid of a guide they lassoed a female cougar weighing 130 pounds, which was killed after capture. The male cougar was pursued four days on horseback and foot through deep snows, with a temperature 35 degrees below zero, but escaped.

Wolves Prowl Streets in Spain.
Leon, Spain.—Owing to the heavy snowfall in mountain regions, large numbers of wolves have made their way down the slopes into the plain districts. The villages of Cordiero and Sopena are unable to leave their homes after dark on account of the large packs of wolves prowling the streets.

Pine Trees' Peculiar Growth.

A reader sends a description of two pine trees growing into each other on a farm at Poland, Ontario. They are two distinct trees at the ground; at a height of ten feet they are separated by a hand's breadth, and thence to the top they are one tree.